

Beaverton Senior Citizen's Advisory Committee - Minutes

Tuesday, May 13,2014 @2:30 p.m.
Beaverton City Hall
Council Chambers

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 2:30 p.m.

Roll Call

Members Present: Judith Auslander, Carolyn Best, Cathy Doyle, Beverlee Ryan, Regina Ford,

Helen Robinson, and Sally Simon

Elsie Stuhr Representative and Committee Member: Laurel Reilly

Staff Liaison: Jim Brooks

Council Liaison: Marc San Soucie

Absent Members: Jo Anne Baumann, Missy Kirkland, Laurel Reilly, and Peggy Gordon

Approval of April 2014 Minutes: Minutes were approved.

Agenda

<u>Guest Speaker:</u> SAGE - Steve Higgs - shiggs@wearesage.org

- Part of team to create a Portland that is Age-Friendly
- SAGE acronym for Senior Advocates for Generational Equity
- Been on SAGE board for @ 1 year
- SAGE was born out of dream
- Back of card has their proverb A Society grows great when its elders plant trees whose shade they know they will never sit in. Greek Proverb
- Mission: inspire older adults to give back to society.
- 3 Goals:
 - Raise awareness with older generation of problems that younger generation is facing.
 I.E. student loan debt, economic security (retirement), environmental, and more.
 - o Inspire leadership and innovation
 - Connect people with resources and opportunities.
- Communicate ideas through:
 - Living room conversations (done 8 so far)
 - o Hand out passport of areas that need volunteers or needs based on the 3 goals.
 - Brown bag lunches in business setting Play Jeopardy type game to build knowledge (done 3 or 4 so far) (mixed age group)
 - o Have major speakers to give talks (150 people) working on next one now
 - Average age for most events is in 60's.
 - Hoping for next even to be in Sept or Oct.

- Legacy Fellowship spend 3 months planning and 6 months in action can be a team or individual. Good for entrepreneurial spirit. Helps to break ideas into workable steps.
 - Tuition of \$1500. Working with businesses to make it part of employee benefit. Maybe non-profits. Scholarships available. Ideas correspond to at least one of the 3 goal areas.
- Award Have had 2 recipients 220 guests recognizing work done in the second stage of life.
- Resources and volunteer opportunities Give forward challenge Commit to action
- Newsletter feature SAGE who is giving forward. Features events and news.
- How Beaverton can serve? Maybe a chapter (unsure at this time). Region is Northern Oregon attend workshops, have social to introduce SAGE, maybe have a Brown Bag lunch.
- In 2 weeks will have an intergenerational social at PSU.
- Connect with new mentors of a different generation
- SAGE teams with leaders i.e. boost philanthropy, break down in communication between generations, etc.

Old Business:

Review of Spring Forum:

25-30 people attended - 23 signed in

Positives:

- Speaker was organized and presented great information
- Heard very impressed with talk
- Location was good but only available on Saturday afternoons
- 99% stayed for both sessions
- Good vendors
- Liked that vendors were in the same room and had a chance to speak about why there
- Long tables used were good

Negatives:

- Needs to be not near holiday (i.e. Mother's Day) or community events
- No one filled out our survey
- Vendors should be committed to the entire forum

Viva Village (Meet the 2nd Saturday of the month, 10AM – noon at Elsie Stuhr)

- Disappointing turn out at Saturday meeting (Farmer's Market and Mother's Day)
- Marketing and raising awareness. There will be a table at the June 7th event.
- Need to create identity with logo none suggested were liked

For Next Meeting:

- Jim suggested that at next meeting we look at bi-laws and ideas for setting goals for the year. Jim will send out bi-laws for us to look at in advance.
- Judith will forward reminder and agenda
- Looking at survey

<u>Councilor Marc San Soucie</u> – council update

- Budget coming out great way to know how city manages fund
- 4 picnic in the parks are all in June and in schools committee will NOT be involved this year

Guest Speakers:

• June – Adult Protective Services - Jim

- July Viva Village Beaverton and Beyond Regina
- August Mediation Jim
- September –
- October –
- November -

Resource Guide Contributions - Deadline 15th of each month/250 word limit/to Jim

- June Judith (SAGE)
- July Adult Protective Services Sally
- August Viva Village Regina
- September -
- October Carolyn
- November –
- December -

Announcements:

 June 7th – Washington County, Beaverton Senior Safety Fair 9 – 3 PM at Library. Expected to be over 300 people. Regina will ask about us having a table and at least put our name in for next year.

Meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Next meeting scheduled for June 10, 2014@2:30PM at the Beaverton City Hall, Council Chambers

Minutes recorded by Judith Auslander, MA